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Alexander Krymski et al.

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For: HIGH-SPEED SAMPLING OF SIGNALS IN  
ACTIVE PIXEL SENSORS

Examiner: Justin Misleh

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the rejection dated May 1, 2007. Claims 3, 11-15, and 17 have been withdrawn. Claims 1-5, 8-18, 20-21, and 41-42 are pending in the application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the original claims and other claims in this and other applications.

Claims 1-2, 4-5, 7-9, 15, 17, 19, 20, and 40-41 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Merrill et al. (US 6,512,544) in view of Sauer (US 6,320,616). This rejection is respectfully traversed. In order to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness "the prior art reference (or references when combined) must teach or suggest